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NOTES AND NEWS

COMMENTING upon the neuronic theory, and the discussion it has evoked, the *Athenæum* of September 1 says: "The controversy on the neuronic theory still continues, and those interested in it will find a good summary of the matter in Dr. Léon Frédéricq's 'Revue Annuelle de Physiologie,' published, as usual, in the *Revue Générale des Sciences.* Professor Ray Lankester perhaps gave it a fillip when he alluded, in his presidential address to the British Association, to the fact that the excitation of one group of neurones is often attended by the concurrent inhibition of another group, as in the reflex flexure of the knee, when the motor-neurones of the flexor muscles are excited, and those of the extensors inhibited. Dr. Frédéricq seems to think that certain facts of the self-restoration of nerves which have been injured by disease or

accident appear to point to the conclusion that the nerves of the periphery may come into being on their own account, and independently of the central nervous system, which would, as he states, rather cast doubt on the existence of the neurone as an embryological unit. Yet, however this may be, the neuronic hypothesis seems for the present to coordinate more facts, and to give a better account of all the phenomena observed, than the rival theory of Bethe and Apathy, which would convert the nervous system into a network of what they call 'Neurofibrils,' the nerve cells being only the passing of crossing places of these fibrils."

THE records of the University of Koenigsberg contain an interesting report, according to the *Vossische Zeitung* of Berlin, of the salary paid to Immanuel Kant at the time of his death, in 1804. Kant's service to the university as senator, as professor ordinarius, and as senior of the faculty of philosophy, with 'extraordinary' additional emoluments, yielded him an income of 749 thaler, 23 groschen and 10 pfennige. As professor of metaphysics and logic he received, in addition, forty-four bushels of rye and eight cords of wood.

THE 'International Scientific Series,' published by Kegan Paul, Trench, Trübner & Co., of London, has taken a fresh start under the editorial direction of Mr. F. Legge. A work on 'Body and Brain' by Dr. A. Binet is announced, and Professor Lucien Poincaré will contribute a volume on 'The Evolution of Modern Physics.'

STUDENTS of the logic of elementary mathematics may be interested in 'A College Algebra' (Ginn & Co.), by Professor Fine, of Princeton. The first seventy pages deal with the theory of the number system, and the entire work is a model of logical exposition.

PROFESSOR G. V. N. DEARBORN, of Tufts College, has been appointed lecturer and instructor in the relations of body and mind in the Sargent School of Physical Education, Cambridge.

WILLIAM J. NEWLIN, Ph.D. (Harvard), has been appointed associate professor of mathematics and philosophy in Amherst College for the current year.

PROFESSOR KUNO FISCHER has been forced by ill health to resign the professorship of philosophy at the University of Heidelberg.

PROFESSOR HYSLOP is preparing a volume to be called 'Borderland of Psychical Research.'

MR. F. C. S. SCHILLER, tutor at Corpus Christi College, has received the degree of D.Sc. from Oxford University.